

2,000 PERSONS  
IN A PANICBy Fire in New York Tene-  
ment House District.

## ESCAPED IN SCANT ATTIRE

Fire Guttered Stable of Joseph Klein &  
Sons—One Hundred and Fifty Horses  
Were Led Out Safely—  
Many Vehicles Burned.

New York, Dec. 29.—Three hundred families, comprising about two thousand persons, occupying tenements in the block bounded by Allen, Eldridge, Livingston and Delancey streets, were thrown into a panic early this morning by a fire which gutted the stable of Joseph Klein & Sons, all, with the aid of police and firemen escaped, many in scant attire. One hundred and fifty horses were saved but all the vehicles were destroyed. The loss is \$30,000.

## HAMMOND'S BODY EXHUMED.

Investigation Begun of Death of Barre,  
Mass., Farm Employee.

Barre, Mass., Dec. 29.—The body of John Hammond, who died here Nov. 27, under circumstances alleged to be suspicious, was removed from his grave yesterday under direction of Deputy Sheriff Daniel H. Rice, and acting by authority of District Attorney George S. Taft of Worcester. The body was taken to Spooner's undertaking rooms, where Dr. W. E. Chandler of Rutland, medical examiner of Worcester county, performed an autopsy. The stomach was removed and will be sent to Professor Whitney, the Harvard university expert, who will analyze its contents in view of the possibility that poison may be found. An investigation of Hammond's death was started when Mrs. Myra Benis, by whom Hammond was employed as a farm hand, attempted, it is alleged, to secure a deposit which the man had in a savings bank. The doctor's certificate filed after Hammond's death gave the cause as acute alcoholism.

H. R. LEIGHTON & CO.  
GO TO THE WALLTheir Liabilities Are Placed at \$5,000.—  
000—Company Formerly Had a  
Branch Office in  
Barre.

Boston, Dec. 29.—H. R. Leighton & Co. assigned today. They were stock brokers, with a score of branch offices in New England. The liabilities are given at \$50,000. They were hit by a bull market.

Until a year ago H. R. Leighton & Co. had a branch office in this city, their operator having been C. A. Phelps who brought suit against State's Attorney Jackson questioning his right to hold office on the ground that he was an alien. The State's Attorney had previously brought proceedings against Phelps charging the running of a bucket shop.

WITHOUT FOOD  
FOR EIGHT DAYSMiner Imprisoned in Mine at Pittston,  
Pa., on December 20, Was Rescued  
Today in Almost Starved  
Condition.

Wilkes Barre, Pa., Dec. 29.—Joseph Davies, a miner who has been lost in the Cox shaft of the Lehigh Valley Coal Co. at Pittston since Dec. 20 was found in the mine early today almost starved to death, having been without food for eight days. He broke his fast by drinking two quarts of beer and eating a loaf of bread.

## SHAW BACKS WALSH.

Sees No Dishonesty on His Part—De-  
positors Safe.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 29.—Secretary of the Treasury Shaw arrived here from Washington yesterday and in an interview frankly declared there would be no criminal proceedings growing out of the closing of the Chicago National Bank and the Home Savings Bank of this city. He said: "John R. Walsh did not take one dollar dishonestly. The depositors will get every dollar they deposited and when that has been accomplished the responsibility of the government ceases."

## MORMONS ON PILGRIMAGE.

In Private Car Delegation of 20 Is  
Touring.

Cleveland, Dec. 29.—A delegation of twenty-two high Mormon dignitaries, headed by President Joseph F. Smith, passed through here yesterday in a private car on a pilgrimage to Kirtland, O., the birthplace of Mormonism. They had been on a trip to Vermont to dedicate a monument to the memory of Joseph Smith, the founder of the sect, and were on their way back to Salt Lake City. They spent the day at Kirtland, and left last night for Chicago.

INTERNATIONAL  
TROUBLE ARISESBecause of the Crisis in the Baltic Pro-  
vinces—Russia Said to Be Angered  
by Germany's Proposal to  
Send Ships.

Glasgow, Dec. 29.—The Herald's St. Petersburg correspondent confirms the report that the crisis in the Baltic provinces has led to international complications and the exchange of sharp notes between St. Petersburg and Berlin. Russia was angered by the proposal of Germany to send a warship to Riga to protect the German residents, and made a warm protest against such action. Germany insists upon the necessity of affording protection for her subjects in the Baltic region.

## CHIEF OF POLICE KILLED.

Revolutionaries Hurried Him Into the  
Street and Shot Him.

London, Dec. 29.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Telegraph describes as follows the execution of the chief of police of Moscow: The revolutionaries entered the lodging of the chief of police at midnight and told him to bid an eternal farewell to his family because he was condemned to die. Finding that it was no joke the chief expostulated, but to no purpose.

Realizing his awful position he said farewell to his family and was hurried into the street and shot. His body was left in a pool of blood.

## ASK FOR PROTECTION.

British Commercial Houses in Moscow  
and Elsewhere.

Birmingham, Dec. 29.—The Post asserts that British commercial houses in Russia have made renewed representations to the foreign office, asking for protection. The reports of these firms from Moscow and other centers of the revolt are worse than those appearing in newspapers and show the conditions to be much more grave than they have been painted.

## ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Macedonian Finances Pass Into Hands of  
Powers.

Constantinople, Dec. 29.—The passing of control of Macedonian finances into the powers, interested in seeing that this reform is accomplished, will take place New Year's day.

## FORMAL DENIAL.

That France Has Sent an Ultimatum to  
Venezuela.

Paris, Dec. 29.—A formal denial was made here today that France has sent an ultimatum to Venezuela.

## CHELSEA.

Charles Rindway returned to his  
work with B. W. Hooper & Co. in Barre  
Wednesday.

Misses Grace and Gertrude Bacon returned Tuesday evening from North Charleston, N. H., where they spent Christmas with their brother, R. H. Bacon.

Schools in town resumed work on Wednesday morning after a short Christmas recess. The intermediate room at the academy will be closed, however, until next week, the teacher, Miss Banks, having been granted a week's leave of absence to visit a sister in Connecticut.

The musical and social at the Congregational parlors, the proceeds of which were for the benefit of the piano fund, was well patronized and much enjoyed.

Dr. George J. Helmer and family left for their home in New York Wednesday afternoon, having been with W. F. Hood for Christmas. H. J. Corwin and wife, who were here for Christmas also left Tuesday for their home in Lowell, Mass.

Miss Nellie Luce, who has lately finished work for Mrs. Charles Barre, has gone to Tunbridge to work in the family of Myron C. Flanders.

Ed Larkin is doing job work with his gasoline engine, saving work. Chas. A. Luce is assisting him.

George M. Davis who is attending Western university at Middletown, Conn., is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Philena Davis.

Miss Blanche, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Reed, was quite severely injured Thursday while sliding, by being thrown against a tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hodgdon of Barre city were recent guests at A. W. Whitney's.

Earl Quinby of Melrose, Mass., is the guest of his cousin, Mrs. Ernest Young, on the west hill.

Deputy Sheriff Ed W. Kent of Randolph was in town Tuesday evening and lodged in jail George Slack of Randolph.

C. E. Lazelle of White River Junction was in town Wednesday and Thursday in the interests of the National Harvester Co. of America, and while here was the guest of B. H. Adams, Jr.

D. T. Stanley of Washington was in town the first of the week on business.

Ned Stacy and family of Vershire and Bert Davis and family of East Barre were recent guests of Mrs. Philena Davis.

Herman Campbell had the recent misfortune to be struck in one eye by a flying splinter while splitting wood, and while no permanent injury was sustained yet for some time he suffered much pain.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Orange County Telephone Co. will be held at the opera house here Tuesday, January 2.

Consistent James Whitney of South Royalton was in town Wednesday evening and brought with him Frank Lashua of Randolph and arranged with Jailer Adams to feed and lodge Lashua for three days at the expense of the state as a private drink.

Miss Bertha A. West of Tunbridge was in town Thursday to institute proceedings to live her husband, who is insane and confined in the county jail here, brought before the proper authorities, who will order his removal to the state hospital for the insane at Waterbury.

BURIED ALIVE  
IN DEEP PITWorkmen Were Covered Up  
In Cave-in at Washington.

## RESCUE IS IMPOSSIBLE.

Three Men Badly Hurt—One Body Re-  
covered, but Several More Are Still  
Buried, While It Was Impos-  
sible to Dig Them Out.

Washington D. C., Dec. 29.—A cave-in occurred at the excavation which is being made for the new National Metropolitan Citizen's bank building, opposite the treasury department on Fifteenth street this morning and a number of Italian workmen were buried in the pit thirty-five feet deep. Three men, badly injured, were immediately taken out, and another shortly afterwards was taken out dead. Further rescue work was stopped by the unsafe condition of the adjoining structure. It is believed that four or five other workmen are buried in the pit.

ENGINE BLOWN TO BITS,  
FOUR MEN KILLEDFast Meat Train Was Wrecked at Jud-  
son, Ind., While Going Forty Miles  
an Hour on Erie Railway  
This Morning.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—A fast meat train was wrecked on the Erie Railway, near Judson, Ind., this morning and four trainmen were killed. The train was running forty miles an hour when, by the explosion of the boiler, the engine was torn to bits.

The train was carrying \$100,000 worth of fancy meats and a hundred live cats from Chicago to the East. The explosion blew several of the 45 cars in the train into atoms and caused the others to leave the track. The wreckage took fire and the flames soon enveloped the entire mass. Cattle were cremated and men roasted. The engineer, fireman and two brakemen were blown to pieces.

## WILL MEAN LONG WAIT.

For Boston Authorities to Get Hold of  
Thieves.

Boston, Dec. 29.—Chief Inspector Watts announced last night that while there was little hope of the local authorities getting Lawrence Volmer and Edward Fairbanks, both of New York, who are said to have confessed in Elizabeth, N. J., recently to thefts in various cities, including Boston, amounting to \$80,000, there was good prospect of recovering some of the valuables which were stolen from two Boston residences.

On September 18 two supposed telephone inspectors gained admittance to the Back Bay house of Rear Admiral F. T. Bowles (retired) and J. J. Collins, a brother of the late Mayor Patrick A. Collins. Among the plunder was a box containing the biography of Admiral Bowles, which the thieves sent back.

Local police and telephone inspectors joined similar officials from half a dozen eastern cities in the search for the alleged telephone officials and at last they were arrested in Elizabeth on December 17. It is alleged that they told Wednesday where much of their plunder could be found. Chief Inspector Watts states that if the men served full terms in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Albany, New York, Bridgeport, Conn., Trenton, N. J., where they operated, it would be 40 years before Boston would be able to deal with them.

## LYNX ATTACKED MAN.

Bot Double Barrel Gun Soon Despatched  
Him.

Rutland, Dec. 29.—Walter Young of this city, killed a large bay lynx three miles from here yesterday. The wounded animal attacked him and only for his double barreled gun would have had a serious time. The tracks in the snow showed that the lynx had followed him two miles.

## WITHOUT A PASSENGER.

Steamer Which Was Chartered to Bring  
Off British Residents.

Dantzic, Prussia, Dec. 29.—The steamer Freida, which was chartered by the British consulate to convey British residents from Riga, has returned to Neufahrwasser, a port of this city without a single passenger.

## AGED COLORED WOMAN.

Ella Williams Was 96 Years of Age—  
Leaves Four Sons.

Rutland, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Ella Williams, colored, died at the poor farm, aged 96. She was the oldest colored woman in this part of the state. She leaves four sons.

## VATICAN'S DEFENSE.

Not to Blame for France's Separation of  
Church and State.

Rome, Dec. 29.—The statement was made yesterday by a cardinal that the Pope is hopeful that the publication in France of a resume of the White Book issued by the Vatican on Dec. 26 will create a favorable impression and a conviction that the Vatican was not to blame for France's separation of church and state. Copies of the book have been sent to the heads of states throughout the world.

CHIEF OF POLICE  
WAS NOT GUIETYRandolph's Custodian of the Peace Ac-  
quitted of the Charge of Scrap-  
ping With Another Randolph  
Man.

Randolph, Dec. 29.—Chief of Police Eugene S. Abbott was tried yesterday on the charge of breach of the peace and acquitted. The trial was held in the office of State's Attorney M. M. Wilson, who was prosecuting officer for the state, and N. J. Boyden of Randolph Center was attorney for the defendant. The trial opened at 10 a. m., but was continued until 1:45 in order that a jury could be procured. This was no easy matter, as many were objected to by Abbott and his attorney. At 1:45 the court opened before Justice William H. Nichols and a jury composed of Editor L. B. Johnson, Lyndon Rice, Hayden Gaylord, Julian Gray, W. W. Morton and Ernest Tracy. The case was the result of a mix-up between the chief and Clinton D. Dunham on Thanksgiving night. At that time Dunham complained of himself, and was fined with costs \$20.00. After the trial the court judgment against Dunham since last summer for a sum of about \$20 with costs jail execution.

After Dunham settled the matter of breach of peace he entered a like complaint against Abbott, which had been pending until yesterday. After the complaint was lodged against him (Abbott), he had the close jail proceedings executed, and at the same released himself from the duty of paying his board in jail. At the close of the evidence the jury, as soon as the case was put in their hands brought in a verdict of not guilty. It was shown Abbott was justified in using his official club to protect himself from the attacks of Dunham. The trial lasted over three hours.

## ASKED FOR VERDICT.

And Defendant Morris Was Refused at  
Woodstock.

Woodstock, Dec. 29.—The state rested in the Dr. Morris case in Windsor county court yesterday afternoon. The respondent's counsel then moved that the jury be instructed to return a verdict for the respondent on the grounds that there was no evidence on the part of the state tending to show the commission of any crime. The motion was overruled.

Mrs. Ella Giles was the first witness yesterday. She said Dr. Morris shot twice, advancing a few feet the second time and aiming steadily ahead. Constable Hugh Miller, who arrested the respondent, testified that he said he would he had taken better aim and hit the mark. Frank Daniels, the liverman, who brought Miller and Morris to Woodstock, and George E. Eastman, testified to hearing Morris make a similar remark.

Mrs. Alonzo A. Martin was the first witness for the defense and was on the stand when court took recess.

## NEW CATTLE COMMISSIONER.

Gov. Bell Appoints G. H. Terrill to Suc-  
ceed V. I. Spear.

St. Johnsbury, Dec. 29.—Gov. C. J. Bell has appointed George H. Terrill of Morrisville a member of the state board of cattle commissioners for a term of three years, to succeed Victor I. Spear of Randolph, whose term expires January 1.

The membership of the board is now George Stephens of Hartford, F. A. Rich of Burlington and George H. Terrill of Morrisville. Mr. Terrill will be the secretary of the board, the other two members being the veterinarians.

COASTERS HURLED  
IN EVERY DIRECTIONSix of Them Injured at Bradford Last  
Night—Harold Sargent Had One Leg  
Broken in Two Places—Ran  
Into a Willow Stump.

Bradford, Dec. 29.—Coasting down Goshen hill last evening, six young people in a dozen-runner struck a willow stump and were thrown in every direction. They were all injured, the most seriously being Harold Sargent, who was steering. One leg was broken in two places so that the bone protruded. He was otherwise injured, receiving deep flesh wounds.

Harold Sargent, William Sargent, Neal Sargent, Mabelle Kenyon, Emma Edwards, Paul Worth.

The oldest is a Harvard student who is spending his vacation here. He did not make his injuries known until after the others had received treatment, assisting the physicians to dress the wounds of the others. Then it was found that he had received a deep cut on the abdomen.

## CALLED TO ACCOUNT.

Burlington Licensee Was in Court Yes-  
terday.

Burlington, Dec. 29.—Napoleon St. George, who conducts a second class ice cream place on North street, was in city court yesterday to answer to the charge of selling liquor to Eugene Geary, alias McGeary, who had been posted by the license commissioners. Geary was arraigned December 21, for a second offense and disclosed on St. George.

At the trial yesterday afternoon Geary repeated his disclosure but his testimony as to other happenings varied somewhat from that given when he was in court first. The question of his identity came up and he admitted that he was known in Burlington as McGeary but said he was known elsewhere as Geary.

The defense in the case was that Geary did not go into St. George's saloon on the day in question. Joseph Fisher, the clerk, and Mr. St. George, both testified that they did not sell him alcohol or liquor of any kind.

See Abbott's clearance sale.

TWO DROWNED,  
TWO SAVEDSkating Accident at Methuen,  
Mass., Yesterday.

## DOWN IN SWIFT CURRENT

Lads Ventured on Ice Which Is Not Safe  
Except in the Very Coldest Weather,  
Because of the Rapid Rush  
of Water.

Methuen, Mass., Dec. 29.—Four boys skating on Spicket river, broke through the ice yesterday afternoon, and two of them, after a brave struggle against the swift current, were swept under the ice and drowned, while the other two managed to gain the shore in safety. The dead boys were Matthew McKewey and Stillman DeWolf, both of Lawrence. Those who saved themselves were George Crabtree and George Gibbons, also of Lawrence.

The boy had been skating on the meadows and ventured out on the river, where the ice is seldom safe except in the coldest weather, owing to the swift current.

When the ice broke McKewey was swept under almost immediately, but DeWolf clung on to Crabtree's clothing as the latter crawled upon the firm ice. Then the boy relinquished his hold, and when Crabtree turned to help him he only grasped his hat from the top of the drowning boy's head.

REV. S. T. SCHENBACH  
ORDAINED TO PREACHExercises Held at the East Barre Con-  
gregational Church Last Evening.  
After Examination in the Af-  
ternoon.

Rev. Solomon T. Schenbach was yesterday ordained as minister and became pastor of the East Barre Congregational church. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the board of examination met with Dr. Merrill of St. Johnsbury as moderator and Rev. Mr. Strong of Williamstown as scribe, met in the Congregational church and after a long examination decided to ordain Mr. Schenbach. The ordination services were held in the evening at 7 o'clock the church being filled with members of the East Barre and Orange Congregational churches. After the reading of the minutes of the afternoon session there was music followed by the invocation by Rev. Mr. Fiske of Montpelier, scripture reading by Rev. Mr. Sheafe of Plainfield, solo by Mrs. Cheney of Montpelier; ordination sermon by Dr. Barnes of St. Johnsbury; ordination prayer and laying on of hands by Rev. B. W. Stuart of Montpelier; vocal quartette, East Barre ladies; charge to the pastor by Rev. C. H. Moore; right hand of fellowship, Rev. Mr. Reed of Montpelier; charge to people, Rev. F. A. Poole of Barre; hymn, congregation; benediction by Rev. S. T. Schenbach.

## WEAPONS AND METHODS.

Apparatus for Fighting Tuberculosis Ex-  
hibited in Boston.

Boston, Dec. 29.—An exhibit of the weapons and methods which are being used not only in this country but in Europe against tuberculosis was shown, illustrated and described at an exhibition arranged by the state of Massachusetts in Horticultural hall yesterday. The building was entirely filled with beds, shacks, tents and models of portable hospitals, as well as charts and pictures through which a large crowd was guided by guides, who described the various features.

The exhibition, which was collected at the expense of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, and which will last for ten days, during which many lectures will be given by Dr. Henry T. Walcott, chairman of the state board of health. The principal address last evening was by Dr. Talcott Williams of Philadelphia, who spoke for an hour and a half to a large crowd, many of whom were physicians.

In the building are exhibits from Raybrook, N. Y., Whitehaven, Pa., Monrovia, California, Philadelphia, Denver, Pittsburgh, New Haven, Ottawa, the Clinton prison, N. Y., as well as from Paris, Switzerland and Germany. Two of the largest New England exhibits are from Maine and Rhode Island.

## MARSHFIELD.

The local order Knights of Pythias have elected the following officers to serve them the year next ensuing: C. C. James Boudry; V. C. Harry Townsend; prelate, Will Southwick; M. of W. Hiram Wilson; M. of E. Herbert Eddy; M. of J. Geo. Davis; K. of R. and S. A. W. Cole; M. of A. Fred Larkins; L. G. James Sanders; O. G. Silas Houghton.

It is reported that Chipp Etnis has consumption. We hope that there may be a change for the better and that Chipp may rally. He has the sympathy of everyone.

The K. of P. lodge will install their officers publicly, Monday evening, Jan. 2nd. A select company will be invited.

The Rathbone Sisters will have a public installation Monday evening, January 2nd, after the installation of the K. of P. This will be public to an invited company. The Knights have postponed their installation from Jan. 1st to Jan. 2nd.

## GENERAL ORDER OF SERVICES.

For Feast of Dedication of the Enlarged  
Congregational Church.

The enlarged Congregational church will be reopened for religious worship on Sunday, with services at 9:30 and 10:30 a. m. and 2:30 and 7 p. m. The service of dedication will come at 2:30 in the afternoon.

There will also be special meetings and gatherings on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

## General Order of Services.

Sunday morning, Dec. 31.—At 9:30 o'clock, morning service of prayer, in charge of V. P. S. C. E.; at 10:30 o'clock, Sunday school service in the new primary room.

Sunday afternoon.—At 2:30 o'clock, service of dedication, sermon by Rev. Frederick B. Kellogg, of Waterbury.

Sunday evening.—At 7 o'clock, service of the Men's Sunday Evening club, address by Mr. William J. Van Patten of Burlington.

Monday, Jan. 1.—At 10 a. m., annual meeting of the church; the annual dinner will be served at 12 o'clock, followed by brief post-prandial exercises. All members of the congregation are invited.

Tuesday evening, Jan. 2.—At 8 o'clock, Barre class reception, in the Barre class room and the church piers. All invited.

Wednesday evening, Jan. 3.—At 7:30 o'clock, fellowship service. Churches of all denominations are invited. Greetings from pastors.

Thursday evening, Jan. 4.—At 7:30 o'clock, our church, prayer meeting, in charge of the pastor.

## SANG CHRISTMAS CAROLS.

Exercises Held at Church of Good Shep-  
herd Last Evening.

The Church of the Good Shepherd held its Christmas exercises last evening at the church, there being a large number of the Sunday school scholars, as well as many parents, present. At six o'clock in the auditorium of the church, the choir sang the following Christmas carols: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," "Christ is Born of Maiden Mary," "Sing Out the Bells," "Carol, Brothers, Carol," and "Gather Round the Christmas Tree." After a short talk by the pastor, Rev. C. E. Freeman, on "What Christ Has Done for the Children," the audience adjourned to the parlors, where two large Christmas trees, laden with gifts for the children. Every child was remembered with one or more gifts. Lemonade and wafers were served after the distribution of gifts.

## REPORTS FAVORABLE.

Of the Heding Methodist Sunday School  
Last Evening.

The annual meeting of the Sunday school board of the Methodist church was held last evening. The reports for the past year showed that the school was in an even more favorable condition than for several years.

C. S. Andrews was elected superintendent, John Wilson, assistant superintendent; Robert Jones, superintendent of intermediate department; Miss Annie Oliver, superintendent of primary department; Mrs. A. J. Baldwin, superintendent of kindergarten department; Mrs. Morris Woods, superintendent of home department; Mrs. Joseph Hoyt, superintendent of the cradle roll; D. Freeman, secretary; Lavin Galt, treasurer; W. J. Oliver, librarian; F. L. Page and George Mills, ushers. The present force of teachers was re-elected.

## GATHERED IN THE CHILDREN.

Salvation Army Held Christmas Tree  
Exercises Last Evening.

The Salvation Army continued its good work among the poor children of the city last evening by giving a concert and Christmas tree for them. The little people who were present at the dinner on Christmas day were all asked to come back to the Christmas tree on Thursday evening and every one of them accepted the invitation with pleasure. The hall was crowded when the members of the Salvation Army Sunday school sang their opening "Christmas Hymn." A delightful programme had been arranged and it was carried out without a hitch. A recitation was given by George McDonald, a cornet duet by William Hall and Walter Monroe; dialogue, Goldie Rivers and Sarah Monroe; violin duet, by McDonald brothers; recitation, Lela Armstrong; cornet duet, William Hall and Walter Monroe; cornet and violin duet, Sarah Monroe and William Hall; recitation, Charlie Monroe; dialogue, "The Salvation War," by 14 soldiers of the Sunday school representing each branch of the army's work; vocal solo, Lela Armstrong; solo, William Hall, "Ring the Bells for Santa Claus." Then Santa Claus appeared and distributed the gifts to the children. Each child had been provided for and no one was disappointed.

The Salvation Army is to be complimented for its good work in making happy the little people who otherwise would have been forgotten during the Christmas holidays.

## FARMER IN BANKRUPTCY.

Peter M. Sabre of Alburgh Has Debts  
of \$2,640.

Burlington, Dec. 29.—A petition in bankruptcy was filed yesterday by Peter M. Sabre, a farmer of Alburgh. He has liabilities of \$2,640, and assets of \$5,412, of which \$462 are claimed exempt.

## FIRE AT BRISTOL, CONN.

Damage to Gutted Block Is Placed at  
\$30,000.

Bristol Conn., Dec. 29.—Fire broke out shortly before 1 o'clock this morning in the Curtis block on North Main street, causing a loss estimated at \$30,000. The fire is believed to be of incendiary origin. The entire block was gutted.

L. B. Wiley who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. D. S. Waterman, for a few days, returned today to his home in Glover.

STATE LAB.'S  
WORK GROWSMade 6,665 Examinations  
Last Year.

## AGAINST 5,085 YEAR AGO.

Of the Total 2,002 Were of Throat Cul-  
ture for Diphtheria, 1,339 for Tu-  
berculosis, 814 for Typhoid  
Fever.

Burlington, Dec. 29.—The annual report of the State Laboratory of Hygiene contains interesting figures. The total number of specimens examined in 1905 was 6,665, against 6,085 in 1904 and 5,412 the year before. Included in the examinations of the present year were 2,002 throat cultures for diphtheria, 1,339 tuberculous, 40 medico-legal cases, against five a year ago, 814 typhoid, 132 liquor and 215 which had to do with the pure food law.

## WITH BEST WISHES.

Mr. and Mrs. John Milton's Friends  
Left Their Host and Hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. John Milton of 96 Pleasant street celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage at their home on Saturday evening, the 23rd, by entertaining about thirty of their friends at an elaborate banquet. Mr. and Mrs. Milton did all they possibly could to make their guests feel at home and to have the occasion a memorable one. Singing, dancing and other amusements were indulged in until a late hour. Before the company broke up they presented Mrs. Milton with one dozen silver knives and a dozen silver forks, and Mr. Milton a silver smoking set and a silver shaving set. These gifts were quite unexpected, and were a great surprise to the host and hostess, so much so that it was some time before Mr. Milton could reply.

Before leaving, the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Milton assured them it was their combined wish that they live to celebrate the fifteenth anniversary of their wedding, and that it would be a pleasure to their friends to help them celebrate that occasion.

## VINCITIA CLUB MEETING.

N. D. Phelps Chosen President—Other  
Officers Chosen.

The annual meeting of the members of the Vincitia club was held last evening in their rooms in the Hancock block. There was a large attendance of members, and after the business was transacted refreshments were served. The annual election of officers resulted as follows: President, N. D. Phelps, to succeed former President C. W